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### **MAN SENTENCED TO ALMOST 9 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ARMED ROBBERY OF JANESVILLE BANK**

Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Shawn Clarke, 32, of Edgerton, Wisconsin, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 105 months in federal prison, without parole, for armed bank robbery. Clarke pleaded guilty to the charge on May 23, 2007.

Clarke robbed Parker Community Credit Union in Janesville, Wisconsin on March 13, 2007, using a stolen pellet gun. When pronouncing sentence, Judge Crabb told Clarke he posed a significant threat to society unless incarcerated, noting Clarke's long criminal history, serious drug addiction, and the egregiousness of the current offense, which involved pointing the gun at a bank teller. Clarke's co-defendant, Eric Bogin, 29, of Janesville, is scheduled to be sentenced on August 29, 2007.

The charges against Clarke and Bogin were the result of an investigation conducted by the Janesville Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The prosecution of this case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Meredith Duchemin.

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